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THE GREAT I AM GIVES THE WORD

And the Snapping, Biting and Clawing of Our Republican Brethren Grows Fiercer.

Theodore Roosevelt Repudiates His Political Offspring in Heartless Manner.

New York, Feb. 26.—"I will accept the nomination for president if it is tendered to me, and I will adhere to this decision until the convention has expressed its preference."

Theodore Roosevelt in these words last night broke his silence of months, dispelled whatever mystery may have surrounded his secret campaign against

ROOSEVELT IN 1904

On the 4th of March I shall have served three and one-half years, and this three and one-half years constitute my first term. The wise custom which limits the president to two terms regards the substance and not the form. And under no circumstance will I be a candidate for or accept another nomination.—Theodore Roosevelt, November 8, 1904.

I have not changed and shall not change that decision thus announced.—Theodore Roosevelt, December 11, 1907.

President Taft and formally declared himself in the race for the republican nomination for the presidency.

The colonel's statement was issued from the Outlook offices Sunday evening in the absence of Colonel Roosevelt in Boston, in the form of a reply from seven western governors, dated February 10, in which they implored him to express his willingness to accept the nomi-

nation. Following is his reply:

"New York, Feb. 24, 1912. 'Gentlemen: I deeply appreciate your letter and I realize to the full the heavy responsibility it puts upon me, expressing, as it does, the carefully considered convictions of the men elected by popular vote to stand as the heads of government in their several states.

He Will Accept

"I absolutely agree with you that this matter is not one to be decided with any reference to the personal preferences or interests of any man, but purely from the standpoint of the interests of the people as a whole.

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"THEODORE ROOSEVELT"

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"One of the chief principals for which I have stood and for which I now stand, and which I have always endeavored and always shall endeavor to reduce to action, is the genuine rule of the people; and, therefore, I hope that so far as possible the people may be given the chance, through direct primaries, to express their preference as to who shall be the nominee of the republican presidential convention. Very truly yours, 'THEODORE ROOSEVELT.'"

tain between me and the murdered Dr. Goldman—with the lieutenant in my arms.

"So," continued the voice, "taking Maj. Putnam into the party as a third representative, for he was a brave soldier and there was great danger to be faced, we left Bombay and traveled about 100 miles northeast to the village of Fehzeih."

Haufman was not unconscious, as I thought, for suddenly he whispered: "He was dead when we found him in the brush, and when we buried him his body had begun to decompose. If you lift that curtain—"

"Haufman, you are unnerved and had better leave this place," I said, realizing how deeply my friend was moved.

"We remained at Fehzeih three days, then Maj. Putnam, Haufman, and myself, accompanied by an Indian youth, left the village and hastened to the ruined temple where the diamond was supposed by Lieut. Haufman to have been lost. Lost, no, it had never been lost. It had been stolen and concealed there. I realized this the moment I came in sight of the temple, and noticed Haufman's familiarity with the ruins."

"The false," whispered Haufman, "false. I had never crossed the border. False as the cheat behind that curtain. Bah, I was a fool to think him the murdered Goldman. A cheat, a fraud, a trickster, who has stolen the secret facts of that journey, and, apprised of my wealth, seeks to defame my character for gain. I will unroll him with my own hands."

He started forward to lift the curtain, when I checked him. "Did you ever tell any one of our journey to that Indian temple, or its purpose?" I asked.

"Never," he said, drawing back from the curtain.

"Nor did I," I replied, "and Goldman was found murdered a few moments after our return to Fehzeih, making it impossible for any one to have learned of him the purpose of that journey."

"My God," groaned Haufman, with dry lips, "it is Dr. Goldman."

"We had no sooner reached the ruins," continued the inexorable voice, "than a tropical storm broke upon us, almost sweeping us from our feet. Yet, despite the fury of the elements, Lieut. Haufman quietly called the Indian to his side, fastened a rope about his waist, and bade him descend a narrow excavation beneath the temple and bring there from the diamond."

"After a few moments had passed the youth returned. Balancing himself on a shattered pillar he opened his hand. There, in his palm, bare of any wrappings, lay the splendid jewel."

"Then suddenly the diamond glowed like a ball of red fire and, even as we looked, a blue vapor arose from the youth's outstretched hand, and it was empty."

"I started forward, when a sheet of lightning seemed to fall upon my head, and ere I could utter an exclamation the charred and blackened body of the Indian youth fell at my feet."

"One bolt of lightning had consumed the diamond and a second had blasted the youth beyond all likeness to a human being."

STRAIGHT TO THE FINISH

For Presidential Nomination Goes LaFollette, Without Any Entangling Alliances.

John J. Hanman, in the absence of Walter J. Houser, Senator LaFollette's campaign manager, sends out from Washington headquarters under date of February 17 the following signed statement:

"The LaFollette headquarters will be maintained to the end of the campaign and every dollar of the expense will be borne by contributions made by real progressives.

"This campaign has no alliance, agreement, understanding or working arrangement with the campaign of Mr. Taft, Mr. Roosevelt, Mr. Cummins, or any other candidate, and will have none. It will go straight on to the finish, as it has from the beginning, without any deals or combinations with any other candidacy or campaign."

TOLEDO MAN ARRESTED ON CHARGE OF EMBEZZLEMENT

W. H. Spooner, of Toledo, was arrested in this city by Marshal Humphrey last Saturday evening on information from Toledo authorities, where he was wanted on a charge of embezzlement. He was taken to Toledo Monday afternoon.

Spooner was formerly a traveling salesman for a Toledo drug firm, and was arrested through information furnished by Druggist Perry Baker of this city.

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MONTHLY MEETING OF BOARD OF P. A.

The Board of Public Affairs met in regular monthly session last Tuesday with all members present and President Brumm presiding.

G. E. Chivington stated to the Board that he would like to see city water for street sprinkling purposes this season. After some deliberation he was granted

the memory of the murdered Dr. Goldman, Haufman's and mine, and knowing this I saw no escape from the conclusion that the dead man had spoken.

At about ten o'clock that night some one knocked at the door of my room. Haufman started up from the book that he was vainly endeavoring to read and demanded: "Who is there?"

The answer came distinctly: "It is I, Dr. Goldman."

I believe I never saw such horror as Lieut. Haufman at these words. I arose from my chair and softly leaped to the door. Turning my face from the panels so that my voice would seem to one outside to come from a distance, I also demanded: "Who is there?"

"It is I, Dr. Goldman."

Instantly I turned the handle and opened the door. I was confident my visitor would not escape me.

There was no one there and the hallway was empty.

As I stood near the threshold, I distinctly heard some one pass me and enter the room. I wheeled around and filled the doorway with my body to prevent the visitor's egress.

Haufman also had heard the visitor and stood in the center of the room with a painful listening fear in his regard.

Slowly the visitor made the circle of the room, following closely the four walls, but he was invisible to our staring eyes—a horrible presence in our midst and nothing more.

Again he made the circle. We heard his light footfall on the carpet and his calm breathing.

He passed me for the second time and again circled the room. What was his purpose? Could it be that he intended to circle Haufman thus through all the long hours of the night? My God, would he hold Haufman in that charmed circle until the unfortunate man was dead of exhaustion or fear?

Once again the unseen visitor circled the room, but this time he did not approach me as closely as before. Was it that he was fearful of my presence? I thought for a moment that he was, and my courage began to rise, then suddenly I realized the meaning of the change.

Haufman also understood.

The murdered Dr. Goldman was slowly narrowing the circle and approaching his murderer.

When the circle was completed—what then? Would the murdered man stand visible, face to face with Lieut. Haufman, and condemn him with unsealed lips?

My body grew cold as ice, and I seemed to be chained in the doorway to witness this act of retribution devised and executed by the dead.

Slowly the circle narrowed; such by inch the unseen visitor was approaching Lieut. Haufman. His light footfalls were like the muffled ticking of a clock that measured out the moments preceding the doom of a man in the chair of execution.

Then he made the last circle and stood before Haufman.

For a moment there was no sound—each had ceased to breathe. Then, slowly and distinctly, from the lips of the unseen visitor, came the words:

ed the use of water for the season for the sum of \$100.

Quick Potter read a petition, signed by Frank Henke et al., asking that a street light be placed at the corner of Mill and Anthony streets. The Board decided to place one of the large street series tungsten lamps at this corner.

A large number of bills were allowed and the Board adjourned.

SEWERAGE QUESTION IS AGAIN REVIVED

Councilman Winkeljohn Sets Things Going by Motion to Put It Up to People.

Preliminary steps towards submitting the question of issuing bonds for a sanitary sewerage system in this city was started by Councilman Winkeljohn in an earnest and eloquent appeal for a bond issue for this purpose before Council last Tuesday night.

Mr. Winkeljohn, who is general manager of the P. Kuntz & Herr Lumber Co.'s plant in this city, has had an unusual opportunity to learn the need of sewerage from contractors and builders, furnishing some interesting data that he had compiled, and said in regard to the erection of the handsome Odd Fellow's Temple on West Market street, now nearing completion, that the value of the building could have been enhanced \$5,000 had the town a decent sewerage system. He spoke of other improvements that have been kept back and of good business building and erecting that have been handicapped in the most perplexing way by this crying need.

"I believe the time has come when the town should take up the proposition of sewerage," said Mr. Winkeljohn. "I believe that the people are in a mood at this time, seeing the urgent need of sewerage, to take themselves for this great and needed improvement, and I therefore move the honorable council that Solicitor Johnson be instructed to make preliminary investigation towards submitting the question of issuing bonds for a sewerage to the people of the town at the spring primary, Tuesday, May 21."

The motion carried unanimously, and the sewerage bond issue is once more on its way.

ABBREVIATED NEWSLETS

John Hardin, of Venice, Illinois, a former Celina boy, who was called to Lima on the 17th by the death of his brother Eva in that city, stopped off in Celina on his way home to his aged mother. This is the second brother of John's to pass away in a short time, October Bill Hardin being the other.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Helliwell returned from Yorkshire, England, where they had been visiting Mrs. Helliwell's sister, Mrs. J. F. Althoff.

J. H. and S. O. Granger made this office a brief call while in town Tuesday, the latter being on his way to Lima to see his mother, who is in the hospital in Celina, speaking of the young floods Monday, the former said the Wabash was higher than since the first of the drought, and the lowlands were all under water.

B. Desch, the well known horseman of Marion township, was in town Tuesday attending to some business matters, and made the Democrat a friendly call. Mr. Desch is one of the progressive men here who is taking system with firemen who does something really useful for the community, and the more he does the more he is liked.

It would be no need great amount of argument to make him a full-fledged singletaker, if indeed he is not one already.

Wm. Poor, a well known farmer residing four and a half miles southwest of this city, was in town Wednesday arranging for a sale of his personal property, which will be held Wednesday, March 30. He quit the farm on account of ill health of his wife.

Carl Stein, a bustling young farmer of the west side of the county, was among our business callers Tuesday. He had intended to move to the Joe Nickerson farm, a couple of miles north of Mt. Recovery, the first of the week, but the high waters upset his plans and delayed him some.

W. L. Marlin, of Etna Green, Ind., a former printer and publisher of this county, was in this city and neighboring towns the first of the week, after a visit at his old home at Neptune last week. While here he was a guest of Recorder Hugh Thomas and wife.

Western Ohio car due out of this city at 9:30 a.m. was delayed Wednesday morning as it was backing into the station on East Market street. The mishap held up traffic until 10:20, when the limited car got the passengers out of town.

H. C. Dixon, of Lima, and Miss Emma May, of Beaver Dam, were united in marriage by Rev. J. C. Goubeau, at his residence on East Livingston street, this city, last Saturday afternoon.

The ladies aid society of the M. E. church will meet this afternoon with Mesdames G. S. Johnston and Ed Rundbaugh, at the former's home, North Main street.

Relatives and friends, in this city, of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Romer, of Cincinnati, received word Wednesday announcing the safe arrival of a baby daughter at the Roemer home Tuesday morning.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church will hold a market at the Ellis ice cream parlor to-morrow (Saturday). A good array of eatables on hand. Market opens at 10 o'clock.

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(Continued next week.)

DADS LET WELL ENOUGH ALONE

Say Best Interests of Town and Its Citizens Are Subservient by Law As It Is.

Council met in regular session last Tuesday evening with all members present, but Meyer and Mayor Miller presiding.

After the usual opening routine, Mr. Vorce of the Burrough's adding machine presented a proposition to sell the town an adding machine. Matter was referred to committee on claims.

Fire Chief Weisman called attention to the dilapidated stove in the Council chamber, and gave notice that he would not permit fire to be again built in the stove. No action was taken.

The committee on ordinances reported in regard to the petition for repeal of ordinance compelling pool-rooms to close at 10 o'clock, that they had decided that, for the best interests of Celina and its citizens, that the ordinances should remain in full force. The petition was thereupon laid on the table.

The parents of the boys of the town and county should feel grateful for the stand taken by council on the repeal of the ordinance in question. Pool-rooms are a pretty inviting place for boys and are undoubtedly the best and most popular school for graduating boys for the saloon extant. It brings them in contact with saloon frequenters and obliterates the finer home sensibilities and makes the step to the saloon less embarrassing and awkward.

Ten o'clock as a steady diet in too late an hour for the young man of high school or any other age to loaf in a pool-room. He can't do his next day's vacation proper justice, no difference what it may be. It's a miserable poor school at best, and has not a redeeming feature. If there is to be any tinkering with the pool-room ordinance, let it be on behalf of the boys and not dollars and cents. Council made no mistake Tuesday night.

The auditing committee reported that they had examined the clerk's annual report and had found it correct. Mr. Lennartz then read bids of the Bote, Observer, Standard and Democrat for printing the report in pamphlet form. On motion of Mr. Schueck the work was let to the Democrat at its bid of \$95.65, it being the lowest.

The other bids were: Bote, \$95; Standard, \$92.50; Observer, \$92.50.

Civil Engineer Lutz presented his proposition to Council for furnishing the town with six village maps for \$200, which was accepted.

The maps are to be complete to the minutest detail, and is something much needed. The awarding of the contract to Mr. Lutz means that he will be able to do his work in a more efficient and conscientious manner.

The clerk read the report of Auditor Morrow of the amount of money due the town on the February settlement, being the December half tax. The collection amounts to \$22,577. Of this amount, \$17,128.75 is to the credit of the sinking fund, the remaining \$5,448.25 being credited to the general, safety, service and health funds.

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We can save you money. The best home-grown timothy seed, \$7.65 per bushel; alfalfa, clover hay \$11.25 to \$13.50; little red clover (the best) \$15; salt, \$1.15; brand, \$1.50; middlings, \$1.50; cornmeal, \$1.40; chicken-feed, 23-4c per pound. PALMER & MILLER.

FEED COMES HIGH, BUT COME IT MUST

Julius Boesel, of the First National Bank of New Bremen, was in this city Wednesday, and placed J. R. Hall, also of that village, in charge of the Merle Alspach, a liver farm on South Main street. Alspach last week turned the stable over to Boesel as part settlement on a promissory note of \$1,025, which his bank held. Boesel failed to have the horses in the stable cared for, and Tuesday Humane Officer Hight took charge of the animals. Julius then got busy.

NEPTUNE SCHOOL BUILDING UNSAFE

West School Building Gets Praise and Moving Picture Room Gets Official O. K.

Chief Kearns, Deputy Inspector Spangler and Architect Reading, of the Bureau of Inspection of Public Buildings, were in this city Wednesday on a tour of inspection. They visited the new West Side school building and spoke very highly of Fire Chief Weisman of its plan of construction. A couple of minor changes for the protection of the smaller children were ordered.

The new Odd Fellow temple on West Market street was inspected. Mr. Kearns also had a talk with several parties interested in the new moving picture show to be started in the west room of this building. From information given out it is not likely that the department will endeavor to shut up the show house, as had been rumored.

The inspectors drove to Neptune Wednesday afternoon, where, after an inspection of the school building, they returned to this city. They condemned a portion of the building, claiming it unsafe because of the condition of the foundation.

After almost three hours' deliberation the special jury, hearing the case before Common Pleas Judge Layton, of Joseph Wimmers against Ora Snider and Urban Fox, of Coldwater, returned a verdict about half past seven last Friday evening in favor of the plaintiff, assessing his damage at \$30. The suit was the result of an automobile accident, the plaintiff alleging the machine traded to him was not as represented. He asked judgment in the sum of \$310, with interest, and the return of an \$85 promissory note.

M. J. Bowers, for several years past one of the town's leading light and water plant, resigned his position Saturday to go to Portland, Ind., where he accepts a position with the water and light plant of that city as assistant engineer. Accompanied by his wife, he left for Portland Monday afternoon. Mr. Bowers is regarded as a competent and reliable man, and his friends are confident he will make good in the Hoosier city.

Roland Davis is filling the vacancy at the plant here.

If you want to see a big man, drop in to the City Building and call for James Hill Stein, grand papa over two bright little ones—a boy and girl—who arrived at the home of his daughter, Mrs. August Hirsch, at Dayton, Monday afternoon.

With a smile from ear to ear Bill spread the news about the building Tuesday evening when he returned from the Gem City, and it was with difficulty he was restrained from ringing the fire bell to spread the joyful news. He compromised, however, by an announcement to Mayor Miller and Council.

The Cincinnati Northern railroad depot at Burkettsville was almost completely destroyed by fire about midnight last Friday night. The fire had a good start on the building before it discovered, seemingly starting from the baggage room, which, together with the office, was wiped out. The origin of the fire is not known.

The large stock barns and fine residence on the John Kleinhenz farm, near St. Rosa, were threatened by fire last Friday afternoon, which destroyed several out buildings. The fire originated in the cook stove, while Mr. Kleinhenz was preparing his evening's feed for his stock. The loss is estimated at \$500, covered by insurance.

CELINA MARKETS

The following were the quotations for grain, live stock, poultry and produce in the Celina market yesterday evening.

(Furnished by Palmer & Miller)

Wheat, per bush.....	85c
Corn, per 100 lb.....	80c
Oats, per bush.....	50c
Rye, per bush.....	85c

NEED:

Clover, per bush.....	\$12.00
Alfalfa, per bush.....	12.00
Timothy, per bush.....	7.00

HAY:

No. 1 timothy, per ton.....	20.00
No. 2 mixed, per ton.....	18.00
No. 1 clover, per ton.....	18.00

LIVE STOCK:

Cattle, per 100 lbs.....	\$4.00 to 5.00
Veal calves, per 100 lbs.....	5.00 to 7.00
Hogs, per 100 lbs.....	5.00 to 6.00

(Furnished by The J. A. Long Co.)

Fowls, per lb.....	9c
Spring chickens, per lb.....	10c
Cocks, per lb.....	10c
Turkey hens, per lb.....	10c
Turkeys, per lb.....	10c
Ducks, per lb.....	10c
Geese, per lb.....	10c
No. 1 hided.....	10c

(Furnished by Landahn & Messervy)

Butter, per lb.....	25c
Eggs, per doz.....	25c
Lard, per lb.....	10c
Tallow, per lb.....	10c
Potatoes, new, per bushel.....	\$1.00

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WINING BOOMED FOR GOVERNOR

Capital City Admirers Find Him a Suitable Candidate for Gov. Harmon's Job.

[Ohio State Journal.]

After preliminary inspection of the general political situation, friends of Speaker of the House of Representatives S. J. Vining, of Mercer County,

have informally launched his boom as a candidate for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination. He is the steepest active or prospective candidate. Mr. Vining is said to have the support of a number of assemblymen.

SUDDENLY SHOWS SIGNS OF LIFE

The Celina Commercial Club, after a sorrowful death and quiet burial night unto a year ago, has risen from its resting place and from authority on high announces:

"Big meeting at council chamber, City Building, this (Friday) evening. A factory proposition of note under consideration. Come, all ye, who are not over burdened with hookworm and join the booster movement. Wake up before the spring fever period arrives and you are Oerlized."

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THE GRIM REAPER

Mrs. Bessie Dysert, Aged 27

Mrs. Bessie Dysert, aged 27 years, died of tuberculosis at the home of her father, George Miller, at Mercer, early last Saturday morning.

Deceased was born in Anglia county, in August, 1884. In August, 1907, she was united in marriage to John Dysert, and of this union a three year old daughter survives. She is survived also by her father, one brother, Shirl Miller, of this city, and four sisters. She was a niece of Mrs. Mary Goggin, West Livingston street, and a cousin of Mrs. Anna Meister, East Market street. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon by Rev. Bauders, at Swamp College.